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FETZER INSTITUTE & FETZER MEMORIAL TRUST
JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE CREATION OF
THE FETZER-FRANKLIN FUND

THE FETZER INSTITUTE & THE FETZER MEMORIAL TRUST

(hereinafter referred to as “Institute” and “Trust” respectively), working in collaboration to further John E. Fetzer’s three hundred year vision of assisting humanity’s evolution toward a greater realization of wholeness, freedom and love, unanimously adopt the following joint resolution:

WHEREAS:

- The Institute’s mission, to foster the awareness of the power of love and forgiveness in the emerging global community, provides the central focus for the Institute in carrying out the long-term vision of its founder;
- Mr. Fetzer founded the Fetzer Memorial Trust to support the Institute’s mission for a period of twenty years following his death, believing that near the year 2011 this ancient evolution of consciousness would be approaching a critical juncture;
- While **the Institute’s** strategy embraces a wide range of viewpoints, cultures and approaches, its **central focus is to move the subject of love and forgiveness onto the agenda of mainstream institutions.** The culture of **the Trust is free to explore this same mission on the frontier and margins of science and education.**
- Patterns of fear, human pain and destructive behavior are escalating at alarming rates around the world, and only freeing the human capacity for love and forgiveness can counter this growing fear;

- We sense a readiness in the global community to urgently seek together radical breakthroughs in the transformation of human consciousness;
- Fundamental to such transformational change is the successful scientific testing of two root-hypotheses:
 - The greater the human experience of separateness, the greater the level of fear and violence; and
 - The greater the awareness and experience of wholeness and interconnection, the greater the human capacity to love and forgive.
- Just as scientific evidence has established the interconnectedness of our eco-systems in the natural world and the wholeness of mind/body/spirit in individual human health, it is now essential to explore and test the hypothesis that human beings are in reality not separate and autonomous from each other, but deeply interconnected; and
- Finally, we recognize that we must find partners in this effort, and we realize that we cannot hope to succeed in this approach or even attempt it without, in the words of Wink Franklin, “being in right alignment with the evolution of the universe or God’s grace.”

THEREFORE, THE INSTITUTE & TRUST, jointly adopt the following program (to be named “The Fetzer-Franklin Fund” after Winston O. Franklin, the Institute’s recently deceased, beloved and visionary trustee) for the purpose of demonstrating by the year 2011, with objective, scientific evidence, and through subjective, spiritual experience, the wholeness of reality (that we are one), in order to advance the human capacity to love and forgive.

- This joint program will be funded through the Trust at a cumulative level of approximately \$500 Thousand in awards per year plus program expenses beyond its current payout to the Institute;
- The organizational culture in which this program develops shall be bold, cutting edge, high risk/high reward, courageous, intelligent and discreet, yet transcending fears of public opinion and personal ego.

- The core strategy is to create a mass of solid, scientific evidence concerning the nature and reality of wholeness, while at the same time developing the spiritual and psychological capacities to see and experience this wholeness.
- The program strategies shall include, but not be limited to the following:
 - To gather courageous and creative scientific and spiritual leaders to explore specific breakthrough program opportunities;
 - To test the hypothesis that thoughts/emotions and states of being affect reality directly, without being mediated through action; (As John Fetzer observed, “states of being are transmissible and human beings are receivers.”)
 - To develop the technologies known by the ancients for opening the heart and transforming fear into love;
 - To demonstrate the power of intention and the training of attention;
 - To test the ancient hypothesis that love is a form of energy;
 - To explore the roles of sound and light and other modalities in consciousness; and
 - To draw upon multiple ways of knowing, including mystical practices and proven spiritual visionaries, intuitives and other adepts.

AND FINALLY, THE INSTITUTE AND TRUST AGREE that both Boards of Trustees shall approve the projects supported under this joint program, that said work shall complement not duplicate the Institute’s projects, be coordinated with the Institute’s program, and that a project selection and management process shall include the following elements:

- A Project Advisory Committee made up of independent and experienced experts;
- The retaining of consultants by the Trust to serve as program managers for the projects; and

- The utilization of the Institute and Trust's current management systems to administer and evaluate the projects.
- Overall administrative oversight of this program will be the responsibility of the president of the Institute.